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Subject: Allied Paper, Inc/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site Plainwell No. 2 Dam
June 5, 2014 Site Inspection; Administrative Settlement Docket No. V-W-09-C-925

Mr. Fortenberry,

In response to Georgia-Pacific, LLC's (GP's) June 25, 2014, letter, please let this letter serve as the United States Environmental Protection Agency's concurrence that GP has met its obligations for Post Removal Monitoring and Maintenance as specified in Section 5.7 of the Plainwell No. 2 Dam Area Time Critical Removal Action Final Design Report (July 2009).

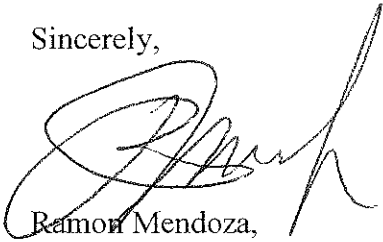
EPA has determined that the bank repairs in Removal Areas 2, 3, and 4A have been completed in accordance with the Plainwell No. 2 Dam Area Fall 2014 Bank Repair Plan Technical Memorandum (Oct. 4, 2013) which EPA approved on Oct. 25, 2013. GP also fulfilled its commitment to release Galerucella beetles to control purple loosestrife in Removal Area 6 for a second and final year (beetles released on June 24).

The determination was based on the Site inspection on June 5, 2014, in which EPA, was accompanied by representatives from GP, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) and Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR).

In terms of GP's request that EPA eliminate the requirement to maintain financial assurance pursuant to Section 29 of AOC V-W-07-C-863 and Section 25 of AOC V-W-09-C-925, respectively, please let your records reflect that I have forwarded your request to the appropriate staff in EPA Region 5's Superfund Division.

Should you have any further questions about GP's post-removal site control, please contact me at 312-886-4314, or at Mendoza.ramon@epa.gov. Should you have any further questions regarding financial assurances, please contact Justin Abrams, Abrams.justin@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ramon Mendoza', with a stylized, flowing script.

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